

# 2005: Key Federal Funding for Palm Beach County



In 2005, Congressman Clay Shaw secured vital funding to reduce traffic congestion in our communities, improve services and promote growth in our local economy:

**\$6.7 million** from FEMA for debris removal in Jupiter.

**\$375,000** for quieter railway crossings in Palm Beach Gardens.

**\$1,065,000** for the Port of Palm Beach (Lake Worth Inlet) harbor and inlet dredging.

**\$3 million** over 5 years to widen State Road 710 by two lanes from Congress Avenue to U.S. 1.

**\$2.9 million** from FEMA for beach renourishment in the Town of Palm Beach.

**\$250,000** for trolley shelters in West Palm Beach.

**\$3.6 million** over 5 years for the City of West Palm Beach for the Flagler Drive reconfiguration project and to promote waterfront redevelopment.

**\$250,000** for trolley shelters in Boynton Beach and Boca Raton.

**\$1.6 million** over 5 years for pedestrian improvements to U.S. 1 between SW 4th Street and NE 4th Street in Delray Beach.

**\$250,000** for infrastructure improvements for Boca Raton's Pearl City.

**\$11.4 million** over 5 years for the I-95 Interchange in the City of Boca Raton.

**\$1.6 million** over 5 years to implement Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS) in Boca Raton.

**\$2.45 million** for Palm Beach County beach renourishment.

**\$250,000** for buses for Palm Tran in Palm Beach County.

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*A report from Congressman Clay Shaw*



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## Office of Congressman Clay Shaw

Dear Friend,

As we set off into 2006, I would like to take this opportunity to report to you some of the legislative successes from the year we leave behind.

In 2005, a landmark number of bills were passed and signed by the President including:

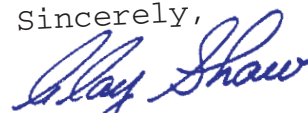
- \* billions of dollars in taxpayer relief for the victims of Hurricane Wilma.
- \* the Central American Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA), which removes trade barriers to Central American markets, allowing U.S. businesses to increase exports and create more jobs right here at home.
- \* a class action fairness bill that will eliminate frivolous lawsuits.

The House of Representatives also passed several bills that now await Senate approval, including tax relief to keep the economy growing, and health care reform to improve access to affordable, quality health care.

This year, I will remain focused on improving economic security, national security and homeland security for the American people.

One of my top priorities will be to extend the tax policies that benefit American families by creating more jobs and growing businesses. I will also stay focused on effective immigration reform, and work on curbing the abuses of 527 organizations that violate the spirit of campaign finance reform.

Sincerely,

  
Clay Shaw

P.S. Please take a few minutes to read this newsletter for updates on issues that affect our communities. Please contact me if you have any questions about the issues that are important to you.

# 2005 Legislative Highlights from Clay Shaw

## Protecting Florida's Coastline

Congressman Clay Shaw led the Florida Congressional delegation's successful effort to stop an attempt to hurry through legislation to bring off-shore drilling one step closer to Florida's coastlines. Shaw remains committed to working with all parties to bring about a Florida-specific plan, devised by Floridians, to address off-shore drilling.

## Fighting Cancer

As a cancer survivor, Clay Shaw understands personally the need to focus our nation's efforts on finding a cure. He co-founded the 2015 Caucus with the goal of ending cancer death and suffering in the next ten years. In 2005, Congressman Shaw continued to increase cancer awareness, and introduced two resolutions in the House of Representatives to keep Congress focused on cancer research and awareness.

## Preserving Social Security

While progress to permanently preserve Social Security was stalled last year, Clay Shaw remains committed to working toward a permanent solution. In the mean time, he is committed to spending social security dollars on social security. Shaw co-sponsored legislation that would force the government to stop spending the Social Security Trust Fund on other federal programs.

## Protecting the Homeland

Clay Shaw fought to have Broward and Palm Beach Counties included in the Department of Homeland Security anti-terror program. Now both counties are eligible for special funding to protect our airports, seaports and other critical infrastructure in our region from a possible terrorist attack.

## Supporting Our Veterans

Congressman Shaw secured funding to repair the damage done by Hurricane Wilma to the veterans' medical center in West Palm Beach.

He also has secured funding for other projects now in process, including the renovation of the Primary Care Services Unit, and expansions of the Intensive Care Unit, Critical Care Unit, Surgical Intensive Care Unit and the Mobile Intensive Care Unit at West Palm Beach VA Hospital.

Shaw has also helped facilitate the opening of the long anticipated National VA Cemetery in Boynton Beach, currently scheduled to open in the fall of 2006.

*Clay Shaw presents the Distinguished Flying Cross to Palm Beach County resident, Eugene Halper. Halper earned the medal for his service in World War II, but never received it. Shaw's office was able to obtain the medal.*

